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1	Can you provide any information about the size or amount of blackstart capability you are seeking in the LA Basin Area?	The LA Basin Black Start Technical Specification requirements do not specify a minimum size generator or source size. Larger resources will have more voltage regulation capability and inertia which will be considered during the evaluation process. The number of Black Start Service contracts awarded will dependent upon, among other things, the resource location and technical capabilities.	May 24, 2021
2	Would a Battery Energy Storage System qualify for the blackstart resource? If it does, is there a specific duration and specs that it should meet to qualify?	The ISO will consider any resource that can meet the LA Basin Black Start Technical Specification requirements. The specifications can be found on the ISO website under the Miscellaneous Stakeholder initiatives or at the link : <a href="http://www.caiso.com/informed/Pages/MeetingsEvents/MiscellaneousStakeholderMeetings/Default.aspx">http://www.caiso.com/informed/Pages/MeetingsEvents/MiscellaneousStakeholderMeetings/Default.aspx</a>	May 25, 2021
3	Would a new underground HVDC line into the LA Basin, with a new 220 kV connection to a designated substation, be considered an eligible resource for this RFP?	An HVDC line on its own can contribute to system restoration but does not meet the requirements to provide black start service. For a resource to be considered it must satisfy the NERC definition of Blackstart Resource; “A generating unit(s) and its associated set of equipment which has the ability to be started without support from the System or is designed to remain energized without connection to the remainder of the System, with the ability to energize a bus, meeting the Transmission Operator’s restoration plan needs for Real and Reactive Power capability, frequency, and voltage control, and that has been included in the Transmission Operator’s restoration plan.”	May 29, 2021



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